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To PTO Refunds

ATTN: Frieda Connelly

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Scott Anderson

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Outstanding refunds

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Message Dear Frieda,

Please find attached a list of charges in which refunds have been requested but have not yet been received. The cover sheet attached shows the serial number, statement date of the charge, docket number, fee code, amount, and the PTO employee whom the refund was forwarded too. I have also attached back-up related to most of the charges.

I will fax all the information according to the PTO employee listed on the right hand side of the cover sheet.

Please contact me when you have the information regarding status of these refunds.

Thank you

Very truly yours.

Scott Anderson

Accounting Coordinator

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REQUEST FOR REFUND

On or about 26 May 1999, Applicants paid the required fees for entry into the U.S. National Phase. This payment was enclosed by way of a check.

On 30 November 1999, a charge in the amounts of \$234.00, \$216.00 and \$970.00 were charged to Fish & Richardson's Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

From the above, it appears that the charge to Deposit Account No. 06-1050 were improper, as all fees had previously been satisfied by the check sent on or about 26 May 1999.

Applicants respectfully request that this amount be refunded to Fish & Richardson's Deposit Account No. 06-1050. Please apply any charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

Frederick H. Rabin Reg. No. 24,488

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December 17, 1999

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